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The reply filed on December 26, 2006 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): Amended claim 1 and claims 16-23 are directed to a blood treatment system comprising a blood treatment machine and a flow treatment machine, a species which is non-elected by original presentation. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be bona fide, applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Further, claims 1, 16 and 23, were they compliant, would receive a rejection under 35 U.S.C. 112 as they set forth a flow treatment machine that lacks proper antecedent basis.

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